

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/651,132	KINGSTON ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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 All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on June 23, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-15 and 17-25.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The amendment filed on June 23, 2006, has been entered and acknowledged by the Examiner.

Claims 1-15 and 17-25 are pending in the instant application. Claims 26-31 stand as withdrawn.

Election/Restrictions

Claims 1-15 and 17-25 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims 26-31, directed to the process of making or using an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on October 4, 2005 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claims including all the limitations of an allowable product claim or rejoined process claim are presented in a continuation or divisional application, such claims may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of

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35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-15 and 17-31 allowed.

Regarding claim 1, the references of the Prior Art of record fail to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 1, and specifically comprising the limitation wherein an electric lamp assembly comprises a retainer comprising first and second plates each having first and second ends, has a lamp stem clamped between the first ends of the first and second plates and a light capsule is clamped between the second ends of the first and second plates.

Regarding claims 2-9, claims 2-9 are allowable for the reasons given in claim 1 because of their dependency status from claim 1.

Regarding independent claim 10, the references of the Prior Art of record fail to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 10, and specifically comprising the limitation wherein a retainer mechanically connecting the stem assembly to the lamp capsule has first and second identical rigid frames, each having first and second ends and first and second sides, wherein the lamp capsule is clamped between the second ends of the frames, and the frames have an opening through which the lead wires, conductors, and the fuse are exposed, and each first and second frame is a one-piece frame.

Regarding claims 11-15 and 17-18, claims 11-15 and 17-18 are allowable for the reasons given in claim 10 because of their dependency status from claim 10.

Regarding claim 19, the references of the Prior Art of record fail to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 19, and specifically comprising the limitation wherein an electric lamp assembly comprises a rigid chassis defined by two generally rectangular frames that are joined to each other along both sides of said chassis, said chassis having an opening therein.

Regarding claims 20-25, claims 20-25 are allowable for the reasons given in claim 19 because of their dependency status from claim 19.

Regarding claim 26, the references of the Prior Art of record fail to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 26, and specifically comprising the limitation wherein the method of manufacturing an electric lamp assembly comprises placing a first face of a stem assembly adjacent to one end of a first retainer plate; placing a first face of a capsule adjacent to an opposite end of the first retainer plate; placing a second retainer plate against a second face of the stem assembly and the capsule; and mechanically connecting the first and second retainer plates to each other.

Regarding claims 27-31, claims 27-31 are allowable for the reasons given in claim 26 because of their dependency status from claim 26.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anne M. Hines whose telephone number is (571) 272-2285. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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